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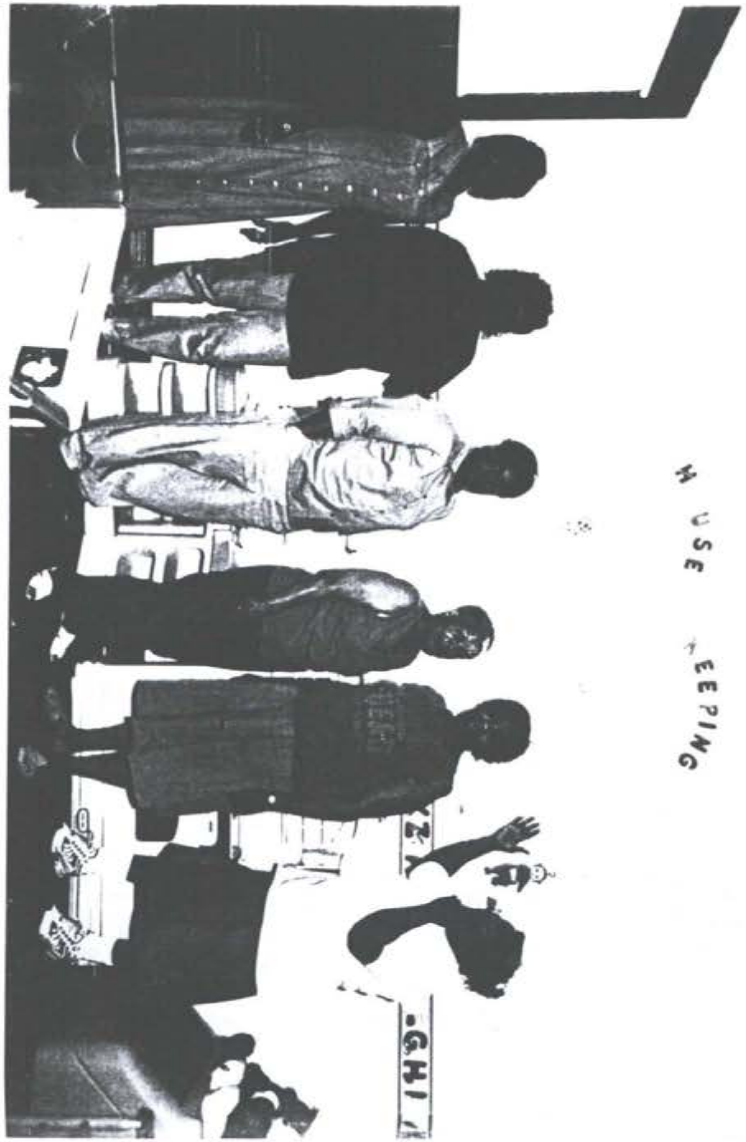
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Tucker's Day Care Center



Welcome To Tucker's Childcare Center

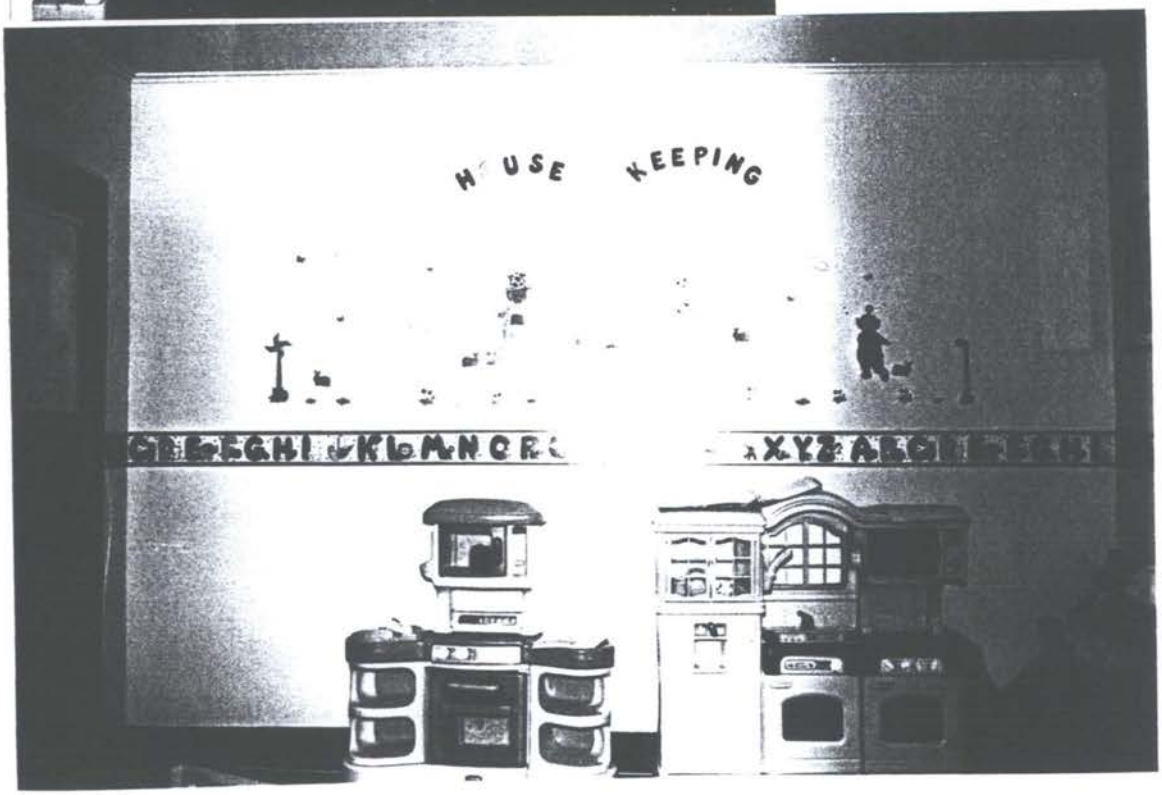
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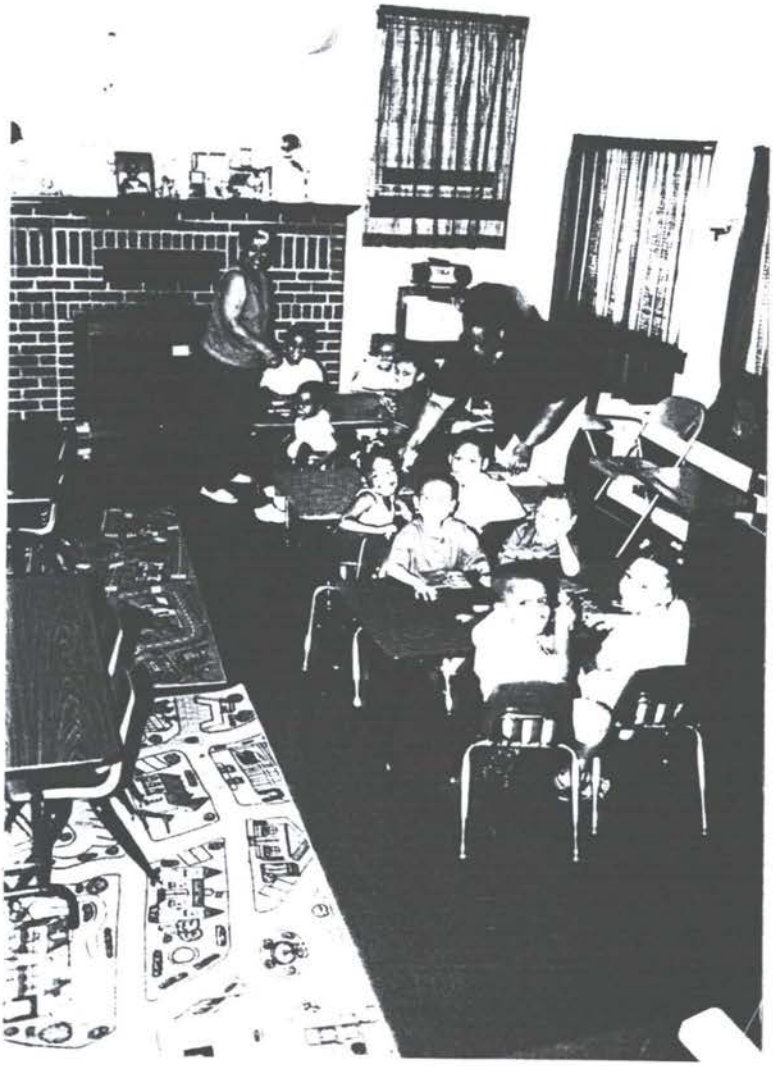




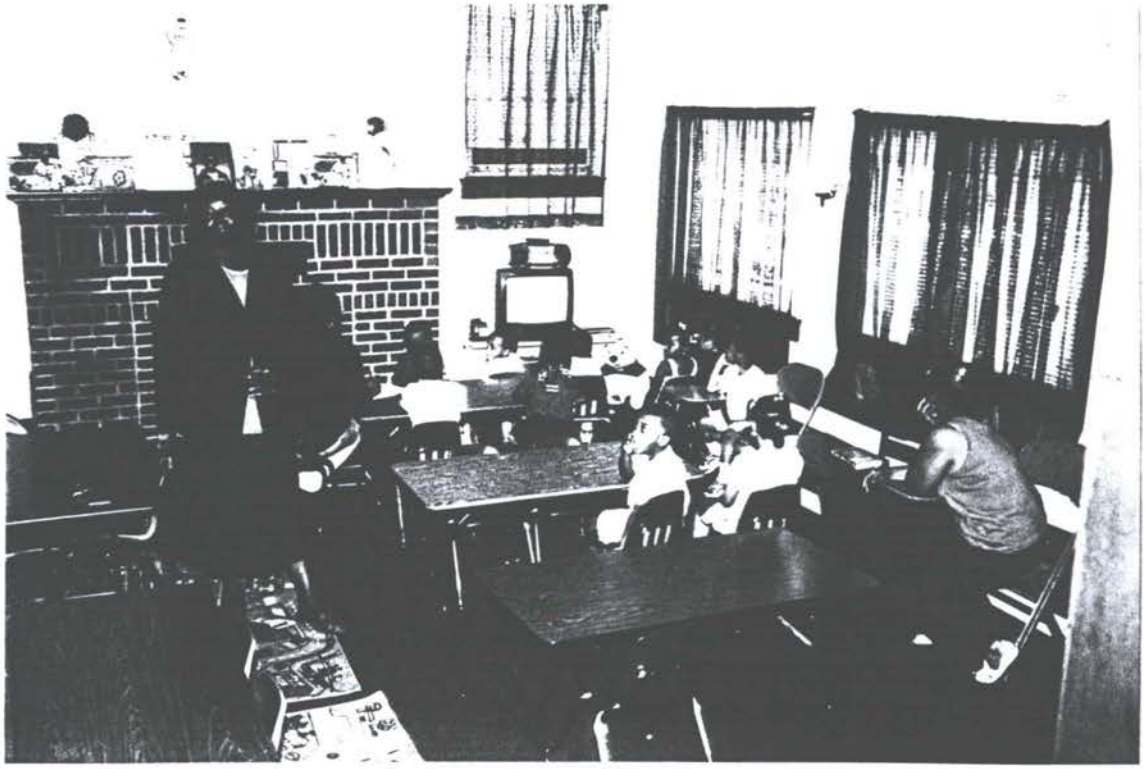


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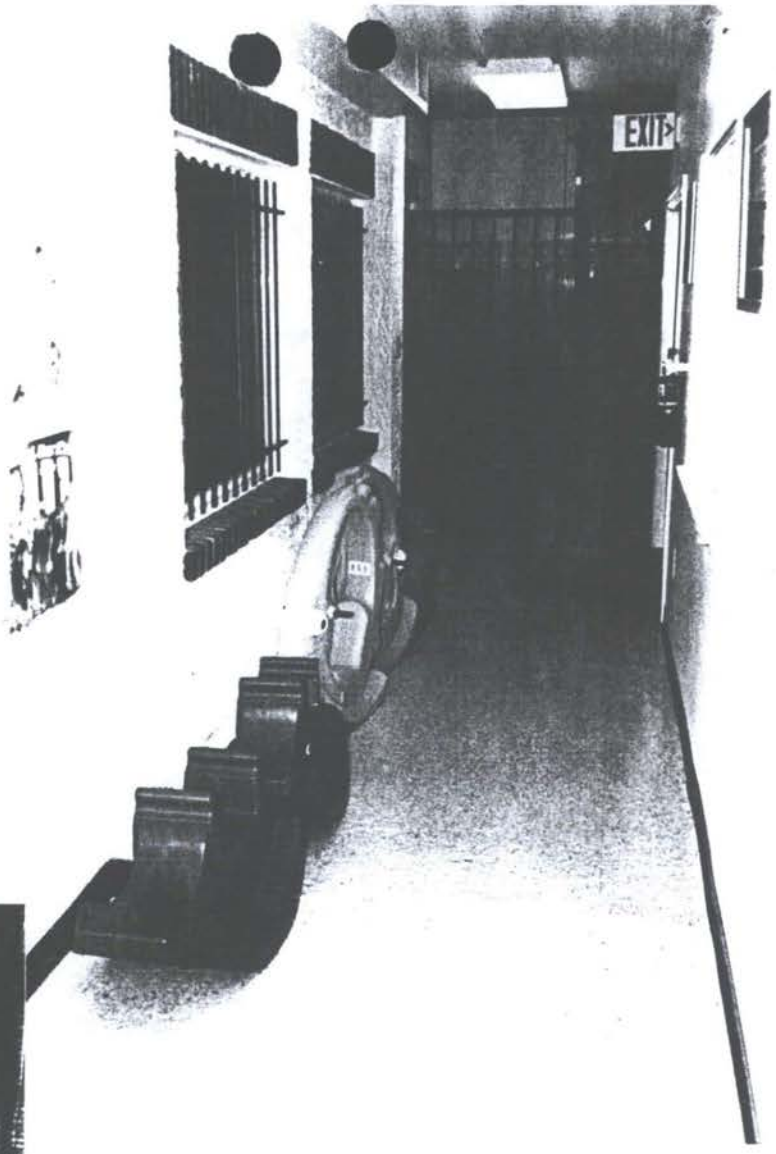




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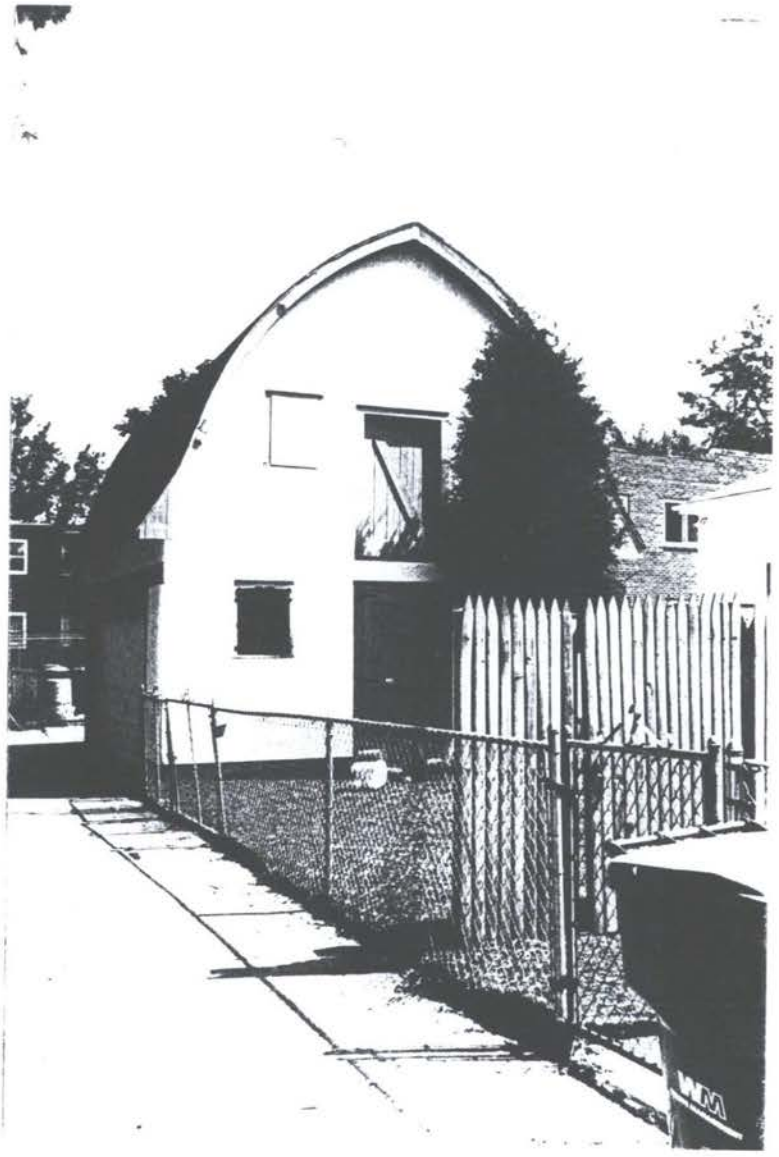
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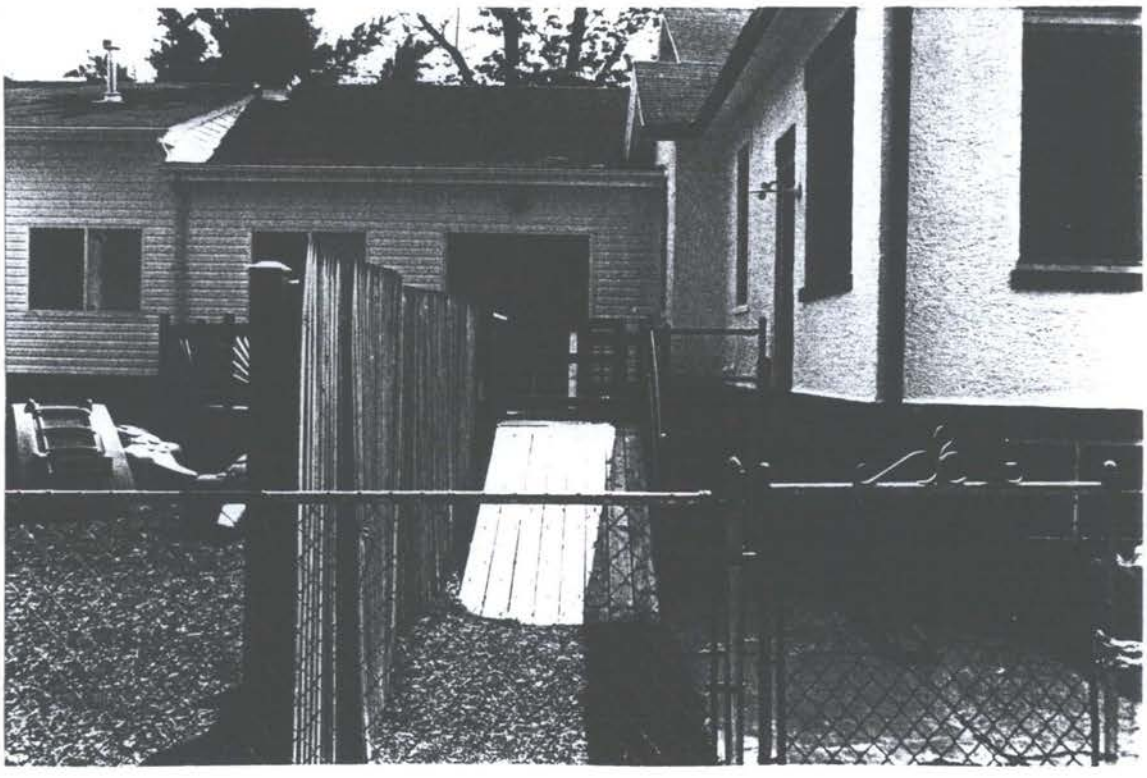




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Certificate of Training

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CHILD CARE CENTERS

Presents this certificate of participation to

Bertha Tucker

In recognition of successful completion of

Health and Safety

April 15, 2000 *3 Clock Hours*



President, Minnie Wood-Cert.#022

Trainer, Monica Squires-Cert.#024

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WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CHILD CARE CENTERS

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Guidance

April 15, 2000 *3 Clock Hours*

President, Minnie Wood, Cert.#022

Trainer, Andrea Abramson-Cert.#001

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TIME AND PLACE: **WEDNESDAYS MAY 3, 2000 @ 1:00 P.M.**
SECOND FLOOR HEARING ROOM - SUITE 220
441 4TH STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001

TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: The Board of Zoning Adjustment will adhere to the following schedule, but reserves the right to hear items on the agenda out of turn.

9:30	**A.M.**	**TO**	**12:00**	**P.M.**	**PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA**
1:00	**P.M.**	**TO**	**6:00**	**P.M.**	**WARDS 2, 8, 5 AND 3**

PM.

CASE POSTPONED FROM THE SEPTEMBER 29, 1999 DECEMBER 1, 1999, AND FEBUARY 2, 2000 PUBLIC HEARING SESSIONS:

WARD TWO (ANC-2E)

16483
ANC-2E

Appeal of Georgetown Homeowner's Alliance, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3105 and 3106 (New Sections 3100 and 3101), from the administrative decisions of Armando Lourenco, Acting Zoning Administrator, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs made on March 18 and on or about April 16, 1999, to issue a building permit for improvements to a restaurant and carryout, to lift a stop order previously issued and to deny a request for permanent revocation of the building permit, the property is located in the R-3 District at premises 1659 35th Street, N.W., (Square 1291, Lot 217).

WARD EIGHT (ANC-8E)

16570
ANC-8E
ANC-8C
ANC-8A

Application of Bertha Tucker/Tucker's Day Care Center, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3104.1, for a special exception under Section 205 to increase the number of children in an existing child development center to a total of 65 students, 6 infants and 59 other children, ages 2 through 12 years of age, and 8 staff persons in an R-5-A District at premises 3215 11th Place, S.E. (Square 5944, Lot 800).

BUILDING AND LAND REGULATION ADMINISTRATION
PERMIT SERVICE CENTER
941 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 2100
Washington, D.C. 20002

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATES

GENERAL INFORMATION

A Certificate of Occupancy (C of O) does not take the place of any license that my be required. For information concerning license requirements, contact the License Branch, 941 North Capitol Street, N.E., First Floor, telephone #(202) 442-8960

THE APPLICATION FILING FEE IS NOT REFUNDABLE

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Lines 1 thru 18 Lines 1 thru 18 asks information about the proposed business/occupancy. Please be very detailed in the information you provide. Indicate N/A (non-applicable) for items that do not apply.

Lines 1 thru 20 Please make sure that the signatures, dates , telephone numbers and all information are legible.

Line 1 Please do not use abbreviations for street names. Be sure that you indicate the correct quadrant and show the zip code.

Line 4 If your business is incorporated verification is required from the Corporation Division.

Line 5 List name of corporation if business is incorporated.

Line 6 List members of a partnership when applicable. Corporation officers names as well as members of a partnership should be noted on line 6. Certificate will be issued to the Corporation or Owner.

Line 9 Applicants must identify the filing status of the application by checking (√) one or more of the boxes shown, if the following items are applicable:

Ownership Change: Check this box if you have recently obtained ownership of the business

Occupancy Use Change: Check this box if you changed the previous use of the premises. ***Please note that applicants who have changed the previous use of a premise must have at the time of filing the C of O application proof, that construction or renovation work has been approved by producing a building permit*** and/or final inspection approval form. You may call the Records Management Branch for more specific information at 442-4661 about all issued permits.

(Over)

Occupancy Load Change: Check this box if you undertake changes such as the number of occupants in a rooming house, community residential facility, boarding house, the number of units in an apartment, hotel or motel, number of classrooms, students, seating capacity in a restaurant, etc.

Partial Occupancy: Upon request from the holder of a building permit, a temporary certificate of occupancy may be issued for part of the building before completion of the entire work covered by the permit, ***provided such part can be occupied without endangering life, public safety or welfare. If you desire to occupy a portions of a premises under construction check this box.***

New Building: Check this box if you have recently constructed a new building and now desire to occupy the premises. You are required to show proof that construction or renovation work was approved by producing a Permit Work/Occupancy Form. (See Occupancy Use Information.)

Board of Zoning Adjustment:: Check this box if you have appeared before the Board of Zoning Adjustment to obtain a variance or special exception. Indicate the B.Z.A. case number assigned.

Line 10 In identifying the proposed use of your building or premises please be as detailed as possible about the type of operation, special equipment used, ages of kids and number of staff in any facility, etc.

Line 11 Be as detailed as possible about the prior use of the premises as described in Line 10 A copy of an existing C of O certificate is extremely helpful.

Line 12 Denote the number of roomers, residents in a community residential facility, boarders in a boarding house, units in apartment, hotel, motel, seating capacity, etc.

Lines 18 *thru* 20 If an agent is submitting an application on behalf of the owner the application must be supported with a completed Owner Authorization Form signed by the Business Owner and notarized by a Licensed Notary Public. Authorization Forms can be obtained at 941 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 2300, Washington, D.C. 20002, Permit Intake Center.

NOTE: ***CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED THROUGH THE MAIL***

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUILDING AND LAND REGULATION ADMINISTRATION

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

Date _____ Receipt No. _____

Application Fee $25.00 Non Refundable
Certificate Fee – Based on square footage

Cashier's No. _____

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED BUSINESS

1. Premise Address 3215 11th Pl SE Suite/Room No _____
2. Business Telephone No. 2/562-0703 Fax No 2/562-0711 Lot _____ Square 5944
3. Trade Name of Business TUCKER'S DAY CARE CENTER
4. Is Business Incorporated? Y/N _____ Partnership? Y/N _____ Sole Proprietor? Y/N _____ New/Existing X
5. Corporate Name Tucker's Daycare Center
6. President Bertha Tucker Vice President _____ Secretary _____
7. Sole Proprietor _____
8. Business Owner's Mailing Address 3215 11th Pl SE phone # (daytime) 2/562-0703

INFORMATION ON OCCUPANCY

9. ☐ Ownership Change ☐ Partial Occupancy ☒ New Bldg. ☐ Use change ☐ Load Change ☐ B.Z.A No. 16570
10. Proposed Use of Premises Day Care Center
11. Prior Use of Premises Day Care Center
12. Proposed Occupancy Load _____ Square Feet Occupied 5944
13. Floors to be Occupied 1st Basement ? ☐ Yes ☒ No
14. Is this Business Sexually Oriented according to the DC Zoning Regulations ? ☒ Yes ☐ No

INFORMATION ON ENTIRE BUILDING

15. Building Owner Bertha Tucker Telephone No. (202) 562-0703
16. Building Owner's Address: 3215 11th Pl SE, Washington DC 20032
17. Square feet 5944 Numbers of floors 1 Basement _____

ATTESTATION & SIGNATURE

I certify that all of the statements on this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I agree to comply with all applicable laws and regulations of the District of Columbia.

18. Owner of Business Bertha Tucker Date 4-27-00
Signature

If Authorized Agent for owner of Business (Attach Authorization)

19. Agent's Name PHINIS JONES _____ Date _____
Print Clearly Signature

20. Agent's Address 3215 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE, Washington DC 20032

NOTICE TO REPORT WASTE, FRAUD OR ABUSE BY ANY D. C GOVERNMENT OFFICE OR OFFICIAL, CALL THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AT 1 - 800 - 521 - 1639. ALL CALLS ARE CONFIDENTIAL

Please sign and return this Form

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Clean Hands Before Receiving a License or Permit Act of 1996 Certification Form

Please read this from carefully and completely before signing. Any false information provided requires that the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs proceed immediately to revoke the license or permit for which you are now applying, and fine you one thousand dollars ($1,000.00). This Certification Form is required to be completed and submitted with any application for licensure or permit under the Clean Hands Before Receiving a License or Permit Act of 1996, effective May 11, 1996 (D.C. Law 11-118, D.C. Codes §47-2861 et seq.).

I, Bertha Tucker (name) as Bertha Tucker (owner/partner/corporate officer)

certify that Tucker's DCC (business name), trading as Tucker's Day Care Center (trade name)

does not owe more than one hundred dollars ($100.00) to the District of Columbia government as a result of:

1. Fines, penalties or interest assessed pursuant to the Litter Control Administration Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-100; D.C. Code §6-2911 et seq.);

2. Fines, penalties or interest assessed pursuant to the Illegal Dumping Enforcement Act of 1994, effective May 20, 1994 (D.C. Law 10-117; D.C. Code §6-2911 et seq.);

3. Fines, penalties or interest assessed pursuant to the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Civil Infractions Act of 1985, effective October 5, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-42; D.C. Code §6-2701 et seq.); or

4. Past due taxes.

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I understand that if I knowingly provide false information on the Certification Form, the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs will move to revoke the license or permit for which I am applying and fine me one thousand dollars ($1,000.00). I further understand that the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs may conduct an investigation to ascertain the veracity of the information contained in this Certification Form.

I understand that this Certification Form is now required as part of my application for a license or permit, and that by completing it, I am not guaranteed that my license or permit will be approved.

Bertha Tucker Owner
Signature and Title

4-27-00
Date

cc: Office of Tax & Revenue

For Tax Assistance Call (202) 442-6340

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUILDING AND LAND REGULATION ADMINISTRATION

Certificate of Occupancy Authorization Form

~~**Authorization form to Act on Behalf of the Owner**~~

To the Director, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs:

This is to certify that I, BERTHA TUCKER

(Print Name of solo owner, general partner, or corporation officer)

am the true Owner of the Business described below:

Proposed address of business you intend to occupy:

3215 11 Pl SE, Washington DC 20032

Type of business you intend to operate:

DAYCARE

I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE PERSON(S) NAMED BELOW IS/ARE AUTHORIZED TO ACT ON MY BEHALF IN EXECUTING AND PROCESSING AN APPLICATION FOR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY RELATING TO THE AFOREMENTIONED BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT.

Name of Person/s to act on behalf of owner:

PHINIS JONES

Address/es of Person/s to act on behalf of owner:

3215 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE, Washington DC 20032

X Bertha Tucker — 4-27-00

(Signature of Business Owner) **(Date)**

Sworn to before me this 27th **day of** April 2000, ~~19~~

My Commission Expires: 10-14-01

Jeanne L Gault

DC Kids

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Friendship House Association - 619 D Street Southeast Washington, D.C. 20003
(202) 675-9069 fax (202) 546-3090

December 10, 1999

RECOMMENDATION TUCKER DAYCARE:

I am quite happy to recommend TUCKER DAYCARE to your attention.

TUCKER DAYCARE was a welcoming childcare service to its surrounding residents. For too long local residence had limited options for childcare for their children, moreover most childcare providers were in unsafe homes.

TUCKER DAYCARE, entire facility is use for the nurturing of children. The children and parents entering this facility are made to feel special. I have seen Mrs. Bertha Tucker, take an extra minute to share with her parents some of her parenting skills, or just allowing the parents share the ups and downs of their day.

If you walk by TUCKER DAYCARE, you will hear the local residence say "that lady there really take care of those kids and she always buying something new for the playground she built for them".

It is without reservation that I recommend TUCKER DAYCARE to your attention.

Yours sincerely,

Kimble Lee

Kimble L. Teel
Youth Program Coordinator

Monday, December 13, 1999

To Whom It May Concern:



My name is Mrs. Jackson and my daughter attends Tucker's Daycare Center. This was the third center in the Southeast area my daughter attended and I feel that Tucker's Daycare is the best. The center is well organized and always clean. I am also pleased with the staff Mrs. Tucker has working in her center. They are always pleasant and greets everyone with a smile. I feel very comfortable with my child attending the center. Mrs. Tucker is a very nice person, she tries to help you in any way she can. She has done many things to help me as far as the Daycare and as well as my personal life. I really admire and thank her for that. She is always willing to lend a helping hand to those who need it. I also attended a few of her youth meetings she held at her center. I can say she truly believes in giving back to the community. The southeast area need more centers like Tucker's Daycare Center and I will recommend anyone to let their child be a part of it.

Thank You,

Mrs. Jackson

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001

December 20, 1999

District of Columbia Government
Office of the DC One Fund
2700 Martin Luther King, Jr., Ave. SE
801 East Building
Washington, D.C. 20032

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am pleased to provide this letter of support for your review of Tucker's Day Care Center eligibility and participation in the D.C. One Fund Drive.

Tucker's Day Care Center was organized to provide high quality care for parents who seek care for their children outside of the home. Tucker's Day Care Center believes that a child's first learning experience should consider all aspects of learning, social, emotional, physical, intellectual and cognitive growth. The Center provides parents, guardians, families and the community with a safe, loving and positive environment for child care services, growth and development. The Center also offers training programs, parenting classes and activities for youth to develop self-esteem and self-sufficiency.

Tucker's Day Care Center is an approved agency in the federal government's employees Combined Federal Campaign.

Sincerely,

Sandy Allen

Sandra C. "Sandy" Allen
Councilmember, Ward Eight

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8E

890 Southern Avenue, S.E., Suite 303
Washington, D.C. 20032
Office (202) 562-7951/52
Fax (202) 562-3882

District of Columbia One Fund
2700 Martin Luther King Avenue, S.E.
East Building, Suite 801E
Washington, D.C 20032

20 December 1999

Eligibility Committee:

Neighborhood Advisory Commission (ANC) 8E02, offers it's support in favor of Tucker Day Care Center's application to become a recipient of the District of Columbia One Fund. We, trust that their acceptance in the One Fund program will greatly assist them in reaching their goals in the arena of early CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT.

Further, we would like to note that this facility is proving a much needed service to this Community, and we are elated to have them as neighbors.

Again, without hesitation we support this application one-hundred percent.

Your consideration in this important matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Melvin H. Sims

Melvin H. Sims, Chairman
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8E

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Health

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Child & Residential Care Facilities Division

MEMORANDUM

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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TO: Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment

FROM: Ellen M. Yung-Faith, RN, MPH, CPM
Program Manager

DATE: March 10, 2000

SUBJECT: BZA Application # 16570
Bertha Tucker
3215 11th Place, SE.

As required by 11 DCMR Sections 205 & 206 concerning Child Development Centers, the Human Services Facility Division is submitting the following statement regarding the above-referenced address.

3215 11th Place, SE, is currently operating as Tucker Day Care Center to care for 26 children. Tucker Day Care Center has been referred for an enforcement action with a recommendation of closure, on February 28, 2000, due to non-compliance with Title 29 District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), Chapter 3, Child Development Facilities. Specifically, Tucker Day Care Center was found in non-compliance with the following: (1) Licensed capacity; (2) Adult-child ratios; (3) Group size limitation; (4) Adequate adult supervision for all children at all times; (5) Maintain safety for all children; and (6) Provide adequate bedding for all children.

In view of the above, the Department of Health, Health Regulation Administration, Child and Residential Care Facilities Division does not support the expansion of Tucker Day Care Center at this time.

If you have any questions or need additional information, I can be reached at 442-5929.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Office of Early Childhood Development



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment

FROM: Barbara Ferguson Kamara
Executive Director

DATE: March 15, 2000

SUBJECT: BZA Application No. 16570

The Department of Human Services (DHS) has reviewed the application numbered 16570 from Bertha Tucker 3215 11th Place, SE, Washington, DC 20032, requesting a special exception under provisions of DCMR Title 11, Section 205.1, to increase the number of children in the existing facility.

The child development center in question is located in Ward 8, at 3215 11th Place, SE, Washington, D.C. 20032. Tucker's Day Care will serve 6 infants, 59 other children 2 years through 12 years old and 8 staff. Currently, they are a DHS child care provider. There continues to be a desperate need for infant and school age care before and after school in this area. With the increased demand for child care services, as a result of Welfare Reform and two parent working households, the Department is recommending approval of this facility request.

Questions concerning the response regarding BZA Application No. 16570 should be directed to Kathy A. Manning, Acting Program Manager, Office of Early Childhood Development on 727-0284.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

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March 16, 2000

Bertha Tucker
3215 11th Place, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20032

Re: BZA Application No. 16570

Dear Ms. Tucker:

You are hereby notified to appear before the Board of Zoning Adjustment on May 3, 2000, at 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 220, Washington, D.C., 20001 for a public hearing concerning the following application:

> **Application of Bertha Tucker/Tucker's Day Care Center**, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3104.1, for a special exception under Section 205 to increase the number of children in an existing child development center to a total of 65 students, 6 infants and 59 other children, ages 2 through 12 years of age, and 8 staff persons in an R-5-A District at premises 3215 11th Place, S.E. (Square 5944, Lot 800).

This case is in Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8E, but in proximity to ANC-8C and ANC-8A. Cases in this area will be heard between 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. All cases will be heard in the order listed on the public hearing agenda.

PLEASE NOTE THAT A SIGN MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT TO BE POSTED ON THE PROPERTY. The Supplemental Rules of Practice and Procedure provide that such a sign must be posted at least 15 days prior to the hearing. The posted notice must also be checked at least once every five days, and replaced when necessary. An affidavit concerning the original posting of the sign must be filed with the Board at least 5 days prior to the hearing. The sign and the affidavit can be picked up from the Office of Zoning, Suite 210, 441 4th Street, N.W.

You should be aware that items may be submitted to the Board by other individuals, organizations and government agencies both in support of and in opposition to your application. Approximately one week prior to the public hearing, you should review the file in your application so that you are prepared to

respond to any issues that may be raised regarding your application. Further, if you are not clear about what information you must present to the Board in support of your application, please contact the Office of Zoning as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, feel free to call the Office of Zoning at (202) 727-6311.

Sincerely,

JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director

cc: Applicants

"WE THE CONGRESS HEIGHTS COMMUNITY AGREE TO ALLOW THE TUCKER DAY CARE CENTER TO EXPAND IT'S ENROLLMENT OF CHILDREN BY THE AMOUNT ALLOWABLE BY LAW."

ON THIS DATE: MAY 9TH, 2000 TIME: 7:00PM UNTIL 8:30PM

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
Edna A. Hearns	**3412 13th St. SE #1**	**2/574-3801**
Mary P. Green	**605 Forrester St. SE**	**2/563-8983**
Cassandra Beasley	**3232 13th St.SE**	**2/562-3247**
Rundi Beasley,Jr	**3232 13th St.SE**	**2/562-3247**
Mary Taylor	**1326 Congress St. SE #4**	**2/561-2133**
Yolanda Green	**2133 Congress St. SE**	**2/610-2860**
Renae Mickens	**1525 Congress Pl. SE**	**2/574-2117**
Nicole Hamilton	**1525 Congress Pl. SE**	**2/574-2117**
LaShuan D.Green	**2607 Naylor Rd. SE #102**	**2/583 2672**
Charmaine Galloway	**3311 14th Pl. SE #201**	**2/563-6670**
Gloria K. Baker	**2029 Savannah Pl. SE**	**2/678-6021**
Pearl E. Adams	**814 Wheeler Hill Dr. SE**	**2/563-3147**
Shirley Mayberry	**1326 Congress St. SE**	**2/562-4228**
Rosa Russell	**3214 10th Pl. SE**	**2/562-2448**
Evelyn Green	**Post Office 57464 Washington DC, 20032 2826 Hartford St. #303**	**2/610-2812**

Name	# Number	Address (optional)
Sean Taylor	301-8[illegible]-7602	— Madison —
Richard Douglas	202-562-1720	3215 Hillcrest Ave

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Ms.Jerily R. Kress
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington D.C.

February 2, 2000

Re: Case 16570

My name is Domonique Saunders, I am a child care provider at Tuckers Daycare Center. Mrs. Tucker is someone that I respect and admire as an individual. I first meet Mrs. Tucker when I was placed in a work experience program through the United Planning Organization. I have been currently working at the center for over a year now, working with the children and meeting new people has been a tremedous experience. As a TANF parent I have gained a lot of knowledge and help in order to help myself get off of goverment assistance. Upon going to Tuckers Daycare Center I had not yet received my high school diploma, Mrs. Tucker encouraged me to go back to school and get my GED, and which I did , I thank her for having been there for me in so many ways, from encouragement to all the support she has shown to me. After receiving my GED, Mrs. Tucker then paid for me to go back and take classes in order to receive my Child Development Associate Credential (CDA). I have accomplished so many things since I've been working at Tuckers Daycare Center and I thank Mrs. Tucker for all the things that she has done for me.

Sincerely
Domonique Saunders
(202) 561-1566

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Director, Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington D.C.

April 2,2000

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Ms. Jerily R. Kress
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington D.C.
Re: Case 16570

April 12,2000

My name is LaShaun Green and I have been working at Tuckers Daycare Center for a year and within this year I have learned so much from working at the center. Not only have I received the proper training to work in the child care profession, Mrs Tucker has graciously paid for me to get my Child Development Association Credential(CDA), which really means a lot to me because I myself would not have been able to afford to pay for the classes, books or the other materials needed to receive my CDA. Mrs. Tucker has also paid for numerous amounts of training classes that her entire staff must attend throughout the past years. So when I say that I really do support Mrs. Tucker its not because of the things that she has done for myself or others its because of the beautiful person that she is inside and out.

Sincerely

LaShaun Green

Washington Association of Child Care Centers
c/o Matthews Memorial Baptist Church
2616 Martin Luther King Ave. S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20020 Phone: (202)889-3707 Fax: (202)678-3304

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April 18, 2000

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MEMORANDUM TO: Jerrily R. Kress, Director of FAIA
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441- 4th Street NW Suite #210 South
Washington, DC 20001

FROM: Minnie Wood
President
Washington Association of Child Care Centers

SUBJECT: 2A Application 16570
Bertha Tucker
3215 11th Place S.E.
Washington, DC

Please be advised that Mrs. Bertha Tucker is a member of good standing in the Washington Association of Child Care Centers. The Association is made up of more than forty (40) Child Care Centers, Child Care Family Homes and interested individuals.

The association supports Mrs. Bertha Tucker's move to increase the size of her child care center. We are all interested in Quality Child Care. There is a great need for increased child care slots in Ward 8. If I can be of further assistance please call me at (202) 889-3707.

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NATIONAL BLACK UNITED FEDERATION OF CHARITIES, INC.

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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment

FROM: Charlene Taylor
Executive Director
National Black United Federation of Charities

DATE: April 18, 2000

SUBJECT: BZA Application #16570
Bertha Tucker
3215 11th Place SE
Washington, DC 20032

It is my pleasure to provide this letter in support of Tucker's Day Care Center application for expansion of services to the community. The services that would be rendered through the expansion would provide the opportunity for infants, children, youth and families in Ward 8 to be engaged in a productive, wholesome, learning venture.

The expansion of existing services will also help provide the critical Child Care services needed as a result of welfare reform. In addition to being a safe haven from the many unsavory activities that school age children may otherwise be involved in, the Center will provide programs that increase learning, growth and self-esteem.

I have worked with Ms. Tucker in her capacity as the President of Tucker's Day Care Center, and I know her to be an honest, caring, able Childcare provider. Her Center is a model that should be replicated for childcare services throughout the District of Columbia.

I strongly recommend this expansion of services for the good of children, families and the community of Ward 8.

Please contact me if I can assist you further.

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April 18, 2000

To: Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment

From: Mrs. G. Jones
Concerned Parent

Subject: Mrs. Bertha Tucker
Tucker's Day Care Center
#16570

I was told of the situation concerning Tucker's Day Care Center wanting to expand the center. I feel that is wonderful that Mrs. Tucker has decided to expand the size of her daycare to serve more children in the Southeast Washington area. I have a child that has attended TDC for the past year and a half and I have always been pleased with the way Mrs. Tucker operates her center.

When I heard that facts that Mrs. Tucker was thinking of adding an addition to her exsiting building, I felt that is what this community needs. We need more centers in our community that will not only except toddlers and preschoolers, but infants as well. Before my child entered TDC I had been searching for a while trying to find a center close to my home and one that would except and infant. Someone mentioned to me about TDC, and when I came to the center, I knew I wanted my child to attend.

At TDC I feel very comfortable leaving my child. Mrs. Tucker and her staff are always nice and pleasant, and seem to be well organized at all times. TDC to me offers more than just a place for your children to go while you work, but a positive learning experience you and your child. I strongly agree with the idea of expansion and feel that it will bring forth a much better center for the children and the surrounding community.

Sincerely,

Concerned Parent

880 Yuma Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20032
April 14, 2000

'00 APR 19 P3:35

To: Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment

From: Lois M. Childs
Concerned Citizen

Subject: Tucker Day Care Center
~~#16510~~ 16570

#) 703) 563 8999

It is indeed a pleasure to write this letter to comply with the request for the zoning for the Occupancy Licence for the Day Care at 3215 11th Place, S.E.

Ward 8 is a growing community and we are delighted to have such a service come to our area which will enhance the well being of our children and will also given the working parent(s) the peace of mind so necessary for anyone working. With the proper teaching and guidance of these little children, we will begin to see another generation of younger come up with a strong foundation. While visiting the Center for several hours and typing this letter, I did get the chance to observe the movement and activities of the Center. The staff of 6 were extremely gentle and caring. They also disciplined the children and gave the professional and motherly attention to each child. I observed the nap time and found that each child rested well in a clean environment. The babies laughed, cried and played as normally healthy children would do. The library of books, toys, games and support was found to be in order. The outside appearance is an added attraction to this street an the surroundings.

I met the six (6) staffers and watched them interact with the children. I strongly support the request for this Center and would approve the services and the needs being met for all involved.

I say, if God be for you who should be against you. God is for the children and he will guide Mr. and Mrs. Tucker to do what proper and right for the well being of these children. This should be considered as a concerned and a big part of the reviltilization for Ward 8. Thank you for this opportunity to reach out for Children.

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DC Kids

Friendship House Association - 619 D Street Southeast Washington, D.C. 20003
(202) 675-9069 fax (202) 546-3080

April 19, 2000

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have had the distinct pleasure of observing Mrs. Tucker and staff at work. I welcome this opportunity to provide a recommendation on her behalf.

Children represent increasingly diverse backgrounds, experiences, and risk factors, and reflect a wide range of special needs. As a childcare provider, Tucker Day Care is able to assist children with these needs, moreover; expressing their emotional, intellectual, social, and creative abilities

Tucker Day Care believe all children have potential. They development this potential, through numerous encounters with a variety of enrichment and social skills activities, and abundant opportunities to participate regularly in developmentally appropriate enrichment activities, is the right of every young child.

Tucker Day Care is an added asset to the community. Upon entering the center you will immediately witness the pride and care given to its surroundings. This centers' location enables nearby high school moms to have an affordable place to care for their children.

Sadly, the playground build for the Tucker Day Care children is in most cases the child's only opportunity to visit a safe playground.

Sincerely,

Kimble L. Teel
Youth Development Planner
301-808-1006



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TUCKER'S DAY CARE CENTER
3215 11th Pl. SE
Wash., DC 20032
202-562-0703

To: Mr. Joel Anderson **April 19, 2000**

From: Mrs. Bertha Tucker

---Violation: 13 Children under 2yrs were in small room licensed for 6 infants.

Correction: All children in the room at the time of Mrs. Ali's arrival were not infants. Changes have been made to comply with the correct compacity of infants to be obtained in the center, that include the following, (Termation of any infants that may have exceeded over the proper number of infants, and all children are now kept in the proper area according to their ages).

---Violation: Failure to provide proper adult/child ratio.

Correction: Additional staff were hired in order to maintain the correct adult/child ratio at all times.

---Violation: Failure to provide adequate bedding for the children.

Correction: Upon having enough bedding, additional bedding was purchased for the infants as well as the toddlers.

---Violation: Failure to provide annual health report for the children.

Correction: All parents were given the proper health forms and asked to take their child(ren) to see their physican , in order to have the forms completed properly. Every parent complied with the request and once all the forms had been received they were then faxed to Mrs. Ali.

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April 19, 2000

Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW., Suite 210-S
Washington, D.C. 20001

I would like to express my opinion of shortages of Day Care Centers in Ward 8, East of the River. There are not enough, especially ones that will accept infants. My granddaughter, which lives with me, is in need of a center that will accept her 13-month old infant. We have inquired to different centers in Ward 8, and mostly were told they do not accept children under 2 years old. The ones that accepted infants did not have any openings. We are on several waiting lists. As of now, no openings have come up resulting in my granddaughter having to drop out of school.

I understand that Tuckers Day Care Center at 3215 11th Pl., SE. has expanded and are capable of caring for more children. This is very positive for Ward 8 since Tuckers is one of the few Day Care Centers that accept infants. I applaud them for taking the step in providing additional quality day care in serving the community.

I recommend highly the rezoning for the expansion. The expansion might alleviate a similar situation like mine for another Ward 8 citizen.

Sincerely yours,

Rosa I Bryant

Rosa I. Bryant
620 Alabama Avenue, SE.
Apartment 4
Washington, D.C. 20032
202/563-1376

April 18, 2000

To: Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment

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From: Mrs. G. Jones
Concerned Parent

Subject: Mrs. Bertha Tucker
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#16570

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Sincerely,

Concerned Parent

PARAMOUNT BAPTIST CHURCH
CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Mrs. Pauline Collington
Director

3924 FOURTH STREET, S.E.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20032

REVEREND ISHMAEL L. SHAW, PASTOR

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April 24, 2000

Mr. Jerilyn R Kress FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment
Subject: B2A # 16570

Bertha Tucker
3215 - 11th Place S.E.

Dir Sir.

I Pauline Collington is the Director of Paramount Baptist Church Child Development Center. I've known Mrs. Bertha Tucker for the past Three (3) years. I have found Mrs. Tucker's Day Care Center located in Ward 8, to be of great access to the S.E. Community.

If you need any further information I can be reached on the above number.

Sincerely Yours
Pauline Collington

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*ADMITTED IN D.C., MD. & N.Y.

April 24, 2000

Government of the District of Columbia
Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 Fourth Street N.W., Suite 2105
Washington, D.C. 20001
Attn: Jerrily R. Kress

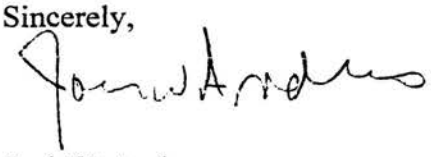
Re: BZA Application No. 16570
Bertha Tucker/Tucker Day Care Center
Hearing May 3, 2000

Dear Mr. Kress:

With reference to the above captioned, please be advised that this law office has been retained by Ms. Bertha Tucker to assist her in her application for special exception under Section 205.

I am requesting that Ms. Tucker's case be called between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm on the scheduled date of May 3, 2000. I have prior court commitment on May 3, 200 to appear at a 1:00 pm hearing in Prince George's County, MD. I thank you in advance for the consideration.

Sincerely,



Joel W. Anders

JWA/sf
cc: Bertha Tucker

April 28, 2000

Brenda Fuller
3216 11th Place SE
Washington, DC 20032

Hearing Committee

Re: Tucker Day Care

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of the Tucker Day Care Center at 3215 11th Place SE, Washington, DC 20032. I reside across the street from the Center. I have not had any problems with the children or the parents that bring their children to the Day Care. I have witnessed Mrs. Tucker on several occasions cleaning the sidewalks and even cleaning the street of debris that had been left by people walking through our neighborhood. Before the Center was here, we had to look at quite a bit of trash thrown on our street. She is very cordial and respectful to the people who reside in this community.

I recommend that we allow The Tucker Day Care Center to continue in our community, because it has provided affordable Day Care services to a lot of young working mothers which allow them to go to their jobs stress-free realizing that their children are being care for in a safe and caring environment. My motivation is to go back to the latter days as a community and join together to help one another make a difference by contributing to the young lives. Tucker Day Care Center has made a difference already!

Sincerely yours,

Brenda J. Fuller

Brenda Fuller
Program Assistant

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April 28, 2000

Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director Board of Zoning Adjustments
Members Board of Zoning Adjustments
Re: Case No 16570

My name is Mary Taylor I am employed by Mrs. Bertha Tucker at Tuckers Day Care Center, I have know Mrs. Tucker for 20 years and have been working for her for 2 years. I have been proud to be a friend and employee of Mrs. Tucker, she has always been a caring person to everyone she comes in contact with. Nothing would please me more than to see her to be able to exspand her center, not only would the kids benefit from it but also the neighborhood.

Thank You
Mary Taylor
1326 Congress S.T., S.E.
Washington D.C. 20032
(202) 561-2133
Mary Taylor

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Ward 8 Business Council

PO Box 54102
Washington, DC 20032
202/270-1612

May 1, 2000

Ms Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street NW

Re: BZA Application No. 16570

Dear Ms Kress:

I am delighted to offer a recommendation of approval of application # 16570 concerning Tuckers Day Care located at 3215 11th Place SE, owned and operated by Ms Bertha Tucker.

During my six year tenure as Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner of 8E02, (1991-1997) I worked very closely with MS Tucker during the implementation of Tucker's Day Care.

In addition, I was further able to assist Ms Tucker as administrator of the Ward 8 Business Council. Ms Tucker has been a member for several years and is constantly seeking information and resources that will allow her to improve her business.

I have had the opportunity to visit several Child Development Centers in Ward 8, and Tucker's Day Care ranks with the best.

It is for these reasons that I urge you to approve application # 16570 for expansion, a decision that I know you will never regret!

If there is any other information that you need, please do hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Al Williams

May 1, 2000

Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director Board of Zoning Adjustments
Members Board of Zoning Adjustments
Re: case No.16570

My name is Gloria Baker I am an employee of Mrs. Bertha Tucker at Tuckers Day Care Center and I myself am also a resident of ward 8. I am writing this letter to voice my concerns about the issues that the zoning board has with the center. I can not understand why ther is a problem with someone who is trying to do a positive thing within the community, when there is so much negativity going on in the neighborhood. For example if you were to walk through the street of ward 8 you would sure to see drug pushers, women on the corners all times of the day selling their bodies etc., yet I have not heard to many issues aroused about these problems than I have with this issue about with the Day Care. Why make it hard for someone who wants to do something for the children so they won't turn out to be one of those drug pushers or someone on the corner. I feel as though if this is a good thing for the neighborhood and also for the children. Working at the center myself I see first hand how many of the neighborhood children benefit from being at the center from gettting an early start on their education to getting nice healthy meals in which many of them may not get at home. To many times we make the mistake in creating problems instead of helping to find solutions and the expansion to any daycare would always be a solution to anything involving our children.

Sincerely
Gloria K. Baker
2029 Savannah P.L., S.E.
Washington D.C. 20020
(202) 678-6021

Mrs. Gloria K. Baker

May 2, 2000

To : Joel Anderson
Re: Tuckers Day Care Center

Please draw this picture Tuckers Day Care Center is supplied all of its childrens by D.H.S., low income residents ulitizing public transportation, and goverment payment for Day Care service only. With the expanision which will occur gradually wiyh 1or 2 students over a 12 month period, let it be noticed that the expanded space was increased with the opition for the capicity of the following:

For 10 children 600 sq ft.
A medium of 35 sq ft. per child inside.
1 for every 10 in toilet.

Of 45 children only 36 children will be in the center at one time, the other children will be transident.

Thank You
Bertha Tucker

ACORN

Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Members, Board of Zoning Adjustments
Re: Case No. 16570

This communication is to address the occupancey permitt for Tuckers Day Care Center located at 3215 11th Place S.E., Washington D.C. 20032. As a representative of ACORN, The Association of Community for Reform Now, Inc. Our mission is to knock on every door within the Congress Heights Community seeking the concerns and responses of the residents on issues they feel necessary to address. The issue that is presently before you is a zoning approval for the expansion of Tuckers Day Care Center according to Bertha Tucker proportion to a capacity of 45 participants in accordance with the DCMR 29 of May 1987. This issue was brought to our attention by residents within the community during our membership drive effort for the Congress Heights Community. To assess the situation we solicted a petition to find out the opposition or support for this issue. The attachted petition is a reflection of support. It is our belief that this expansion has been basically misunderstood by the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8.E., as their letters reflect; Never was the capacity going to be 60 or more children although there is allowable space and equipment to accomodate. One often overlooked fact is that Tuckers Day Care Center only deals with the referals of D.H.S., which are low income parents that are transistioning from the welfare to work programs all of which will be using public transportation.

Traffic and parking issues are mute the capacityof children is regulated. The ANC minutes may reflect some other factors, but they were unavailable for reveiw.
I would like to formly request the minutes of that meeting as complete summation of the feelings of the residents attending and not in personal view.

Charles Anderson
Community Organizer
ACORN
(202)547-9292

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8E

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Washington, D.C. 20032
(202) 562-7951
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3 May 2000

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Ms. Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment

Chairperson and Members of Zoning Adjustment

Re: Case No. 16570

On June 23, 1998, Tucker Day Care Center (TDCC) was issued a certificate occupancy, No. B00181207. The Community was unaware that a Day Care Center was going to open in our mist, until a sign was displayed announcing that they were open for business. Being the good neighbors that we are, we welcomed TDCC to our community. Almost two years from the date of their arrival, they are proposing to increase the capacity of their facility from 32 persons to 73 persons. Which is an increase of over ~~50~~ 100 percent over it's current level. This action calls for several questions. Where are these children coming from? Are they a spill over from TDCC Prince George's location? One thing for sure...they are not from this community.

Please let me emphasize that our concerns are not directed specifically against the education and development of young children. What we are at issue about is that we are small residential community and this area can not handle the volume of people that will be coming into the community. Besides this community has over thirty day car centers, which are operated by church groups, head start programs in public schools and the Department of Parks and Recreations. In addition there are many Mon and Pops operations in the community. This illustrates that there is not a need for a day care of this magnitude in this community. Therefore, it's an injustice to have children brought in from other communities and with that comes traffic and parking problems which is caused by the parents who drop their children off and leave their cars in the community and catch the bus downtown. The problem will be even worse when the Subway opens (two blocks away) in early 200$\emptyset$.

We also have and issue interference to the size of this facility, which is to small to contain 65 children within it's boundary, even with 29 children, which is presently assigned to TDCC, public space (sidewalks) is used as exercise areas. On occasion during these exercise periods the staffers let the children get a little out of control i.e. let them pick flowers from private property, leave snack debris on sidewalks, let them sit on stoops and retaining walls.

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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8E

890Southern AVE. SE
Washington, DC 20032

Phone: 202-562-7951
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May 3, 2000

Ms. Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment

Members, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Re: Case No. 16570

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We, are also concerned that the facility is to small to contain 65 children within it's boundary, even with 29 children public space (sidewalks) have to be used for exercise. On occasions during these (sidewalk) trips the staffers let the children get a little out of control i.e. let them pick flowers from private property, leave snack debris on the sidewalks and even let them sit on stoops and retaining walls.

We, would like to bring to your attention that a majority of the signatures that appear on TDCC petition are signatures of people that reside outside this community. My constituents should not have to live with the consequence of the opinion of those who do not live or have an invested interested in our neighborhood.

The Commissioner of ANC8E02 and Commissioners of ANC 8E give great weight to this report as required by No. 1-261, D.C. Code, 1982ed. And vote for disapproval for special exception as stated in case #16570.

Respectfully Submitted

Melvin H. Sims

Melvin H. Sims, Chairman
Neighborhood Advisory Commission 8E

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We are concerned and rightfully so, that the actives from this facility will inhibit normal interaction among neighbors and interfere with their right to use and enjoy their property free from nuisance or other interference. Moreover, we are concerned that actives that will be generated from the operation of TDCC will be and an infringement on the peace, order and quality of life in the community, which is made up of retirees or people that work nights and must sleep during the day.

As, you are aware that the Southeast Community (Congress Heights) is in a renaissance period and property values are up. What effect will this facility have on property value?

In closing we would like to bring to your attention that a majority of the signatures that appear on TDCC's petition are signatures of people that reside outside this community. These signatures should be rejected for my constituents should not have to live with the consequences of the opinion of those who do not live or have an invested interest in our neighborhood.

The Commissioner of ANC 8E02 and Commissioners of ANC 8E request that great weight be given to this report as required by Title II DCMR 3115.2, No 1-261, D.C. Code 1982ed. and vote for disapproval for special exception as stated in case #16570.

Respectfully Submitted

Melvin H. Sims

Melvin H. Sims, Chairman
Advisory Neighborhood Commission, 8E

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May 3, 2000

Ms. Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment

Members, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Re: Case No. 16570

Please be informed that Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC), held a public meeting on April 12, 2000 to make a report on Case No. 16570, which is before the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) for special exception under the provision of DCMR Title II, Section 205.1

Proper notice of this meeting was given. A quorum of Commissioners were present, which consist of three out of five elected Commissioners:

Rocieric Liggens, 8E06 - Present
Jonathan Bryant, 8E03 - Present
Melvin Sims, 8E02 - Present
Rahim Jenkins, 8E01 - Absent
Wanda Lockridge, 8E07 - Absent

Commissioner Sims made a report containing issues and concerns of the effect neighborhood in Case No. 16570, and made recommendation to request that the BZA disapprove the subject case. Motion was made by Commissioner Liggens that the report be excepted and the recommendation complied with the motion was second by Commissioner Bryant. Motion passed 3 to 0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Liggens that Commissioner Sims would be authorized to present the report to the BZA on behalf of the effect neighborhood, ANC 8E02 and ANC 8E. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bryant. Motion passed 3 to 0.

Respectfully Submitted

Melvin H. Sims, Chairman
Neighborhood Advisory Commission 8E

'00 APR 24 P4:18
DISTRICT

IN RESPONSE TO:
Melvin H, Sims, Chairman
Neighborhood Advisory Commission 8E

This response addresses the issues raised by Mr. Sims in his letter of May 3, 2000 to the Board of Zoning Adjustment in the case of Tucker's Day Care Center - #16570.

Mr. Sims makes assertions in his letter without regard to knowledge of or facts surrounding the petition of Tucker's Day Care Center.

1) Mr. Sims, Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner has never been inside the day care facility located at 3215-11th Street SE.
2) The number of children cited in his letter is incorrect and inconsistent with the facts Present capacity – 26 children, with expansion - 61 Total.
3) Children that will comprise the expansion are residents of the District of Columbia. There are no children from Prince George's County attending Tucker's Day Care.
4) The need for expansion is clearly needed as indicated in the Department of Human Services letter of support and further evidenced by the present waiting list of Tucker's Day Care Center.
5) The subway opening in early 2000 is seen as optimal given the need for transportation for residents in the community. Further, the subway will ease the volume of car traffic in and around the area. Tucker's Day Care Center is within walking distance from the new subway opening.
6) Tucker's Day Care Center has adequate accommodations for the expansion, having added 32 x 25 square feet with six additional bathrooms to the existing space. Tucker's Day Care Center is equipped with a full-enclosed playground.
7) The majority of signatures on the petition acquired by Tucker's Day Care Center in support of the expansion of the facility are from bona fide residents of Ward 8, with the exception of two signatures from Maryland residents who work in the community.
8) Numerous letters of support including Council Member Sandy Allen's letter of acknowledgement of the services of Tucker's Day Care Center and support for participation in the funding program offered by the District of Columbia.

It is our opinion that the positive impact of expansion and adding more care for our children far outweigh the issues raised by the ANC, many of which are incorrect and unsubstantiated. In conclusion, the Tucker's Day Care Center benefits the children, families and residents of Ward 8.

Mrs Bertha Tucker
Owner
Tucker's D.C.C.

Ms. Jerily Kress, FAIA
Director Board of Zoning Adjustment
Members Board of Zoning Adjustment
Re: Case No. 16570

May 11, 2000

My name is Mr. Yousuf Dawood, MD. PA., I have been practicing medicine for 15 years here at 747 Alabama Ave S.E. Washington D.C., I have also had the pleasure of knowing Mrs.Bertha Tucker for many years. I have seen first hand the wonderful things that she has done with her center and the children that attend the center, many of the children that attend the center also come here for health care and it makes me feel good when I ask if they had a good day at school and their faces are full of smiles when they say yes, in which many have indeed come from Tuckers Day Care. So that also tells me that there are wonderful things happening at that center to see a child so happy to be in school, and therefore I will do everything possible to help Mrs. Tucker in any way that I can.

Thank You
Yousuf Dawood MD. PA

Yousuf Dawood

Yousuf Dawood MD PC
747 Alabama Ave SE
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May 8, 2000



Ms. Jerily R. Krees, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N. W.
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Case No. 16570

Dear Ms. Kress:

I am delighted to offer a recommendation of approval of application #16570 concerning Tucker Day Care located at 3215 11th Place, S. E., and operated by Bertha Tucker. Mrs. Tucker has volunteered some administration of the business council, is a member of many organization ward eight and constantly going to meetings and work shops to improve her business. She loves children. I urge you to approve application 16570 for expansion. For further information, please call the undersigned at 301 899 2509.

Sincerely,

Saundria S Jackson

Saundria Stokes Jackson
Secretary

May 22, 2000

Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC

Re: BZA Application No. 16570

Dear Ms. Kress:

I am a parent who supports the approval of application no. 16570 concerning Tucker's Daycare Center located at 3215 11th Place SE, owned and operated by Ms. Bertha Tucker.

It is very difficult to find a convenient daycare provider within my community who has available space for children. I was greatly concerned about the safety and well being of my child. But, after spending much time with Ms. Tucker, I knew her daycare was the best childcare provider for my child. My son was the first child to attend the daycare when it first opened. Since then, I have had another son, who also attends the Center.

Tucker's Daycare Center is a loving and safe learning environment for the children in our community. It provides working Moms with peace of mind and heartfelt gratitude for helping with the education and upbringing of our children. The Center is God sent.

It is for these reasons that I urge you to approve application no. 16570 for expansion, a decision that other parents and myself will greatly appreciate.

If there is any additional information that you may need, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-429-8890.

Sincerely,

Cassandra L. Beasley

May 18, 2000

Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board Of Zoning Adjustments
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: Case No. 16570

Dear Ms. Kress:

I am writing this letter to inform you that I have personally spoke with Mrs. Bertha Tucker and I' am requesting that the application for approval be taken in to great consideration as I' am in full support of Mrs. Tucker. Not only have I spoken with her but she also extended an inventation to visit the center in which I did. I found the center to be a very warm and friendly environment for the children to be in everyday. I was also pleased to see how safe and clean the center was, Mrs. Tucker and her staff showed great interest in the children during my visit, and I see no reason why her application 16570 for expansion should not be approved.

Sincerely
Jonathan E. Bryant
Jonathan Bryant
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May 22, 2000

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Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC

Re: BZA Application No. 16570

Dear Ms. Kress:

I am a parent who supports the approval of application no. 16570 concerning Tucker's Daycare Center located at 3215 11th Place SE, owned and operated by Ms. Bertha Tucker.

To whom it may concern, My son Isaiah Carpenter attends the Daycare, I am very pleased with the center, Isaiah comes home singing song's that he has learned at the Center, and doing hand clapping games that he has also learned everyday. This makes me feel good because I know that he is happy there.

Thank You
Denise Carpenter
Parent

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May 22, 2000

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a parent and I have two kids attending Tucker's Daycare Center, Anthony Winslow and Antanae Koonce. My kids have been going to this daycare for almost 2 years. This daycare is more convenient for me because I live approximately 10 minutes away when traveling by car. There are not too many children at the daycare and this enables the teachers to give the kids more attention. The place is always kept neat and clean not cluttered. My kids will continue to go the this daycare until they start kindergarten unless it is closed. My children are comfortable and I am appreciative of the love and care they receive at the daycare. Please help them and other children to continue having the trust and loving care of Tucker's Daycare Center. Please don't close their daycare.

Thanks,

Stacy Winslow

Ms. Stacy Winslow

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June 7, 2000

Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC

Re: BZA Application No. 16570

Dear Ms. Kress:

Presently, I have a child that attends Tucker's Day Care Center located at 3215 11th Place, SE, owned and operated by Ms. Bertha Tucker. I support the approval of Application No. 16570.

Rebecca Jackson

Rebecca Jackson

May 22, 2000

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I support the increase of children at Tuckers Daycare. My daughter, who is a school age child, has attended the Daycare since it first opened. The environment is clean, safe and more caring than the last daycare she attended. I have no problems with the staff. When something major is happening, they always inform me. Mrs. Tucker and staff take their jobs caring for the children very seriously. I trust Tuckers Daycare in the care of my child.

Tuckers Daycare is an asset for the Ward 8 Community.

Sincerely yours,

Parent
Elmira Gibson